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Vehicle Hits Bicyclist in Parking Lot and Flees

On Wednesday April 4, 2012 at 5:16 p.m. police responded to a hit and run involving a vehicle and a bicycle. This incident occurred in the parking lot of Cedar Hills Crossing Mall.

Upon arrival police contacted the victim Derrik Fleming (22) of Portland. Fleming told police that he was traveling on SW Cedar Hills BLVD. and had just turned into the parking lot of Cedar Hills Crossing Mall. Fleming wanted to make a left hand turn and there was a vehicle stopped in front of him. Fleming rode his bicycle around this stopped car to make the left turn. When Fleming did this a vehicle being driven by Christopher Williams (30) of Beaverton, sped up from behind and came around the stopped car and Fleming into the opposing lane of travel. Williams then cut back into the lane Fleming was in and slammed on his breaks stopping his car in front of Fleming. This action caused Fleming to crash into the right rear of Williams's vehicle. This crash caused Fleming to go over his handle bars and onto the asphalt of the parking lot.

Fleming was able to get up, and as he did he saw that Williams's was still in his vehicle and began to drive away. Fleming tried to get Williams to stop and Williams flipped him the bird as he drove off. Fleming got back on his bicycle and rode after Williams to get his license plate to report the incident to the police. Williams then stopped his vehicle in the parking lot, got out and confronted Fleming who was still on his bicycle in an aggressive way. Williams approached Fleming and pushed him while he was straddling his bicycle. Fleming got off his Bicycle and Williams attempted several time to punch him, but did not make contact. There were witnesses that were yelling at Williams to stop and got between them. Williams then walked away from his vehicle and Fleming. Fleming sustained minor injuries from this incident.

While officers were speaking with Fleming, Williams returned to his vehicle and spoke with police. William told police that after Fleming hit his car he began to hit the car with his hand and this scared him so he drove off. Williams stated he stopped and confronted Fleming because he was following him on his Bicycle.

Williams was arrested for hit and run property damage and disorderly conduct and was lodged at the Washington County Jail.

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